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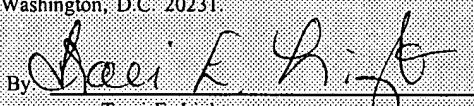
Entitled: Modified Plant Viruses as Vectors of Heterologous Peptides

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO  
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Please enter the following on the record in response to the above cited Office Action. This preliminary amendment is submitted along with an RCE. A petition for a three month extension of time is also submitted herewith.

A clean version of the rewritten, canceled and/or added claims with instructions for entry pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)(1)(i) is included beginning on page two of this communication. A clean version of the entire set of pending claims pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)(3) as they should appear following entry of this amendment is attached as Appendix I.

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